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Navajo President Joe Shirley, Jr., sends best wishes for full, speedy recovery to Arizona Sen. Albert Hale

WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. – Navajo Nation President Joe Shirley, Jr., has sent his best wishes to get well and have a speedy recovery to former Navajo Nation President and current Arizona State Sen. Albert Hale.

"We are always concerned when one of our family or a leader falls ill, and we wish the best health for them," President Shirley said. "We want our son and leader Sen. Hale to have a speedy recovery because we have a lot of wood that needs chopping and water that needs hauling down at the Arizona State Senate."

Sen. Hale was admitted to a Boston hospital on Sunday for treatment for blood spotting in the brain, according to his daughter, April Hale. An initial CT scan and a cerebral angiogram found no trace of aneurysm or vessel rupture of any sort, she said.

She said Sen. Hale is in good condition and high spirits, with his sense of humor intact. His only complaint is that he doesn't have his laptop computer so he can get some work done.

"I'm fine," she reported him as saying. "I thank everybody for their concern and all their prayers."

Sen. Hale had traveled to Boston on vacation with his family, Ms. Hale said.

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